

UK-CHINA TRANSPARENCY

England & Wales · Charity number 1201902

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2023-02-10

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Activities

Objects: 1.FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, TRAINING AND RESEARCH IN THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN CHINA AND THE UK IN EDUCATION, BUSINESS AND CULTURE AND IN GOOD GOVERNANCE, ETHICS AND TRANSPARENCY IN SUCH RELATIONSHIPS;2.THE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS (AS SET OUT IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND SUBSEQUENT UNITED NATIONS CONVENTIONS AND DECLARATIONS) THROUGHOUT THE WORLD BY ALL OR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MEANS:• RESEARCH INTO HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES;• RAISING AWARENESS OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES;• PROMOTING PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS;• PROMOTING RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AMONG INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS.

Activities: Provides Advocacy/advice/informationSponsors Or Undertakes ResearchActs As An Umbrella Or Resource Body

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Sponsors Or Undertakes Research, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Human Rights/religious Or Racial Harmony/equality Or Diversity
- **Who:** People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£57,773	£49,329	-	-
2024-12-31	£48,759	£18,078	-	-
2023-12-31	£13,060	£5,992	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Martin Rowland Village	Chair	2023-02-10
Andrew John Whiteside		2025-09-02
Andrew Robinson		2024-02-12
Bryn Ivor Harris		2025-12-02
Haoyu Zhang		2025-12-02
Professor Sir Bernard Walter Silverman		2023-02-10

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Review of the year

Over the past year, UK-China Transparency (UKCT) has significantly expanded its operational capacity, doubling paid staff, increasing research output, and broadening its advocacy, education, and outreach activities. In response to this growth, UKCT has formalised quarterly subscriber communications, enhanced its digital presence, launched a Substack, and strengthened cybersecurity infrastructure. The charity has modest operating costs relative to comparable organisations, but will be seeking increased donor support to maintain sustainability and expand its work.

UKCT has restructured its work around five core research programmes: **Repression and Surveillance**, **Strategic Technology**, **Influence and Engagement**, **Cyber and Data**, and **Labour Exploitation**. These programmes provide a framework for fundraising, specialisation, and long-term strategic development.

Recent work under the **Repression and Surveillance** programme includes a major report on academic freedom within UK China Studies, based on survey data from fifty academics. The findings indicate systemic issues of intimidation, self-censorship, and career risk. The report influenced national debate and coincided with new regulatory guidance recommending the reduction or termination of Confucius Institute and China Scholarship Council arrangements. UKCT's findings received widespread media coverage and prompted engagement with government bodies and foreign missions.

Under **Strategic Technology**, UKCT continues investigating the sale of Imagination Technologies and the acquisition of Plessey Semiconductors, while monitoring Chinese involvement in UK defence, semiconductor supply chains, venture capital, and STEM research. Forthcoming work will analyse Chinese student participation in sensitive academic fields and potential weaknesses in UK investment security controls.

The **Influence and Engagement** programme produced a major report on Chu Ting Tang OBE, exposing extensive United Front connections. This work coincided with the introduction of the UK's Foreign Influence Registration Scheme, whose effectiveness UKCT continues to scrutinise. Parallel research now focuses on subnational diplomacy, party-to-party relations, and Chinese think tanks.

The **Cyber and Data** programme maintains the UK's most comprehensive log of PRC cyber operations and is expanding into investigations of academic cyber collaboration risks. The **Exploitation and Crime** programme is emerging as a national leader in research on Chinese organised crime and labour exploitation.

UKCT's **Education portfolio** is rapidly expanding through commercial partnerships, delivering tailored training to government, defence, academia, and industry on CCP

political warfare and influence methods, including scenario-based exercises.

UKCT's outreach now spans government, parliament, media, NGOs, and international partners. New relationships have been formed within the Cabinet Office, Treasury, Defence, DBT, FCDO, NCA, and education bodies, while parliamentary engagement now includes 45 MPs and peers, with strongest traction on education and China studies. Cooperation with aligned NGOs and think tanks continues, including joint work on electronic vehicle security. Media outreach has grown to 83 contacts with regular national coverage. Internationally, diplomatic connections now include EU, US, Australia, Poland, Taipei, and Latin America, supporting longer-term collaboration despite funding constraints.

With governance strengthened by new trustees and plans underway for long-term strategy development, UKCT is positioning itself as a leading independent authority on UK-China relations, while appealing for continued financial support to sustain its growing impact.

Governance

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- For the public benefit the advancement of education, training and research in the relationships between China and the UK in education, business and culture and in good governance, ethics and transparency in such relationships;
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 - Research into human rights issues;
 - Raising awareness of human rights issues;
 - Promoting public support for human rights;
 - Promoting respect for human rights among individuals and corporations.

The charity addresses its purpose by carrying out specific research projects and disseminating appropriate publications. It also organises events and provides informal advice (for example to the press) based on its research. The Trustees and executive staff pay careful attention to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

During the year, the Trustee board was strengthened and broadened by the appointment of three new trustees with a range of expertise. As a result, the Director was able to stand down as a Trustee, in line with charity best practice.

UKCT relies on the advice of a network of academics, technical experts, and community leaders. We very much appreciate the expert input that all our advisors provide.

Trustees

Martin Rowland Village	Chair
Samuel Harry Williams-Dunning	Director (stood down as Trustee 2 December 2025)
Sir Bernard Walter Silverman	Treasurer
Bryn Ivor Harris	Trustee (from 2 December 2025)
Andrew Pirie Stuart Robinson	Trustee
Andrew John Whiteside	Trustee (from 2 September 2025)
Haoyu Zhang	Trustee (from 2 December 2025)

Financial and risk review

Over £50,000 was raised from individual donations (including Gift Aid) and, in addition, an unrestricted grant of £4,000 was received from the Injustice Foundation. We are extremely grateful for all this support.

The charity now employs a Director (40% full time) and a Deputy Director (70% full time). During the year, there was considerable investment in building a secure IT infrastructure and website, and this is reflected in the office expenses reported

At the end of the year, the Charity's assets stood at over £46,000. The Trustees have decided to hold £20,000 as reserves, with the remainder committed against current salaries and research projects. The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis. All funds and donations are unrestricted and there are no assets and investments. All funds are held in the Charity's bank account. The full receipts and payments accounts are attached.

Because of the conservative approach taken to the charity's activities, there is no material uncertainty about the charity continuing as a going concern. Apart from the tight fiscal control used to avoid financial risk, care is taken over any risk (reputational or legal) of overstepping the Charity's research and educational objectives. In particular any publications are carefully reviewed to ensure that all statements are evidence-based, as well as falling within the charity's objects. Evidence is put into the public domain where possible. Legal advice is also sought where appropriate.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

MARTIN VILLAGE	BERNARD SILVERMAN
Martin Rowland Village, Chair	Bernard Walter Silverman, Treasurer
15 January 2026	15 January 2026



Charity Name UK China Transparency	No (if any) 1201902
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	1-Jan-25	To	31-Dec-25
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Bank interest	76	-	-	76	53
Donations	49,797	-	-	49,797	37,679
Events and services	1,150	-	-	1,150	2,235
Gift Aid	2,750	-	-	2,750	3,792
Grants	4,000	-	-	4,000	5,000
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	57,773	-	-	57,773	48,759
A2 Asset and investment sales: none					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	57,773	-	-	57,773	48,759
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	60	-	-	60	60
Employment	32,532	-	-	32,532	9,827
Events	-	-	-	-	1,488
Insurance	722	-	-	722	658
Legal and Professional advice	1,125	-	-	1,125	2,273
Office expenses (including IT and website)	10,600	-	-	10,600	2,025
Research	225	-	-	225	958
Travel and Subsistence	4,066	-	-	4,066	789
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	49,329	-	-	49,329	18,078
A4 Asset and investment purchases: none					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	49,329	-	-	49,329	18,078
Net of receipts/(payments)	8,444	-	-	8,444	30,681
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	37,749	-	-	37,749	7,068
Cash funds this year end	46,193	-	-	46,193	37,749

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current and future projects	26,193	-	-
	Reserves	20,000	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	46,193	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
	None	-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	None		-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	None		-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	None		-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
UK China Transparency

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1201902

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Paul O'Brien

Date:

15/01/2026

Name:

Paul O'Brien

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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Review of the year

The year 2024 was the first full year of the Charity's operation, and we were able to engage Sam Dunning as paid Director during the year. The Trustees are delighted with the way that UKCT has established itself as a key source of information and research in the UK's developing 'China knowledge ecosystem'. Our publications and projects received widespread coverage in the media. We have paid particular attention to critical topics where there has been a lack of information and evidence: IP theft and connections in technology, and interference in academia, communities and politics. Alongside this, UKCT's work and growing reputation have allowed us to begin to build a unique network, including sinologists, parliamentarians, civil servants, scientists, businesspeople, activists and journalists. These contacts will help ensure that those who make and influence policy, in government, in academia, and in business, as well as the general public, have access to the facts.

Publications during the year included:

- The Mass Translation Project pilot, leveraging AI tools and volunteer proofreaders to translate important Chinese-language documents, such as an internal United Front Work Department textbook used to train CCP cadres in influence work amongst the Chinese diaspora worldwide.
- Research on a senior Imperial College professor and a scheme to connect the university's leading data scientists into a collaboration with China's leading military marine drone designer.
- Research on the Lau China Institute (the UK's largest China research centre) at King's College London. The work showed how more than 99% of its funding derives from a single donor living in the People's Republic of China.
- Third-party research on BGI Group, a Chinese genomics company, and extensive data on UK universities' China-based campuses and institutes. This was the latest in an ongoing programme to facilitate the publication of third party research and data. To date, this programme has seen UKCT collaborate with various think tanks as well as leading newspapers such as the Financial Times.
- Data about an exchange between the Greater Manchester Police and China's Public Security Bureau.
- Research on a Foreign Office interpreter and translator who worked simultaneously for Chinese propaganda and influence agencies.
- The first part of a substantial research project on the UK's second largest microchip company, Imagination Technologies. Drawing on whistleblower testimony, UKCT showed how the company had siphoned off key technology to China after being bought by the Chinese government.

Our plans for 2025 are to build on and expand this programme of research and events. We hope to expand our staff and develop our freelance research programme into a fellowship or internship scheme. This is with the aim of increasing capacity both to carry out research and to communicate and disseminate the results. The Director and Trustees will continue to seek out appropriate areas for future work.

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UKCT relies on the advice of a formal Advisory Board as well as a wider network of academics, technical experts, and community leaders. We very much appreciate the expert input that our Advisory Board and other advisors provide.

Trustees

Martin Rowland Village	Chair
Samuel Harry Williams-Dunning	Director
Sir Bernard Walter Silverman	Treasurer
Andrew Robinson	Trustee (from 12 February 2024)

Advisory Board

Simon Cheng	Chris Hughes OBE
Dr David Tobin	Howard Zhang

Financial and risk review

The fundraising aim for the year was to raise sufficient funds both to fund ongoing projects and to put the charity on a firm footing for future activities. Over £40,000 was raised from individual donations and, in addition, an unrestricted grant of £5,000 was received from the Injustice Foundation. We are extremely grateful for all this support.

At the end of the year, the Charity's assets stood at nearly £38,000. The charity now employs a part-time Director (three days per week). The Trustees have decided to hold £20,000 as reserves against unforeseen contingencies, with the remainder committed against current salaries and research projects. The full receipts and payments accounts are attached below.

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Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>MARTIN VILLAGE</i>	<i>BERNARD SILVERMAN</i>
Full name(s)	Martin Rowland Village	Bernard Walter Silverman
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer

Date 6 February 2024

Financial Statement

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis. All funds and donations are unrestricted and there are no assets and investments. All funds are held in the Charity's bank account.

	Year 2024	Period to 31 Dec 2023
Receipts		
Bank Interest	£ 53.17	£ 8.32
Donations	£ 37,678.67	£ 13,051.77
Events	£ 2,235.00	£ -
Gift Aid	£ 3,791.79	£ -
Grant	£ 5,000.00	£ -
Total receipts	£ 48,758.63	£ 13,060.09
Payments		
Bank charges	£ 60.00	£ 40.00
Employment	£ 9,826.02	
Events	£ 1,487.75	£ 2,051.50
Insurance	£ 658.37	
Legal and professional advice	£ 2,273.00	£ 1,000.00
Office expenses	£ 2,025.12	£ 2,016.93
Research	£ 958.00	£ 883.70
Travel and Subsistence	£ 789.47	
Total payments	£ 18,077.73	£ 5,992.13
Net receipts	£ 30,680.90	£ 7,067.96
Cash funds		
Previous year end	£ 7,067.96	£ -
<i>Cash funds year end</i>	£ 37,748.86	£ 7,067.96
<i>of which</i>		
Reserves	£ 20,000.00	£ -
Current and future projects	£ 17,748.86	£ 7,067.96

Statement by Independent Examiner: I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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Paul O'Brien ICPA, Dragonfly (Accounting and Financial Management) Ltd



Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-Jan-24	To	31-Dec-24
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Bank interest	53	-	-	53	8
Donations	37,679	-	-	37,679	13,052
Events	2,235	-	-	2,235	-
Gift Aid	3,792	-	-	3,792	-
Grant	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	48,759	-	-	48,759	13,060
A2 Asset and investment sales: none					
Total receipts	48,759	-	-	48,759	13,060
A3 Payments					
Bank charges	60	-	-	60	40
Employment	9,826	-	-	9,826	-
Events	1,488	-	-	1,488	2,051
Insurance	658	-	-	658	-
Legal and professional advice	2,273	-	-	2,273	1,000
Office expenses	2,025	-	-	2,025	2,017
Research	958	-	-	958	884
Travel and Subsistence	789	-	-	789	-
Sub total	18,078	-	-	18,078	5,992
A4 Asset and investment purchases: none					
Total payments	18,078	-	-	18,078	5,992
Net of receipts/(payments)	30,681	-	-	30,681	7,068
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	7,068	-	-	7,068	-
Cash funds this year end	37,749	-	-	37,749	7,068

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current and future projects	17,749	-	-
	Reserves	20,000	-	-
	Total cash funds	37,749	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	None	-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	None	-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	None	-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	None	-	-	-

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Bernard Silverman	04-Jan-25
	Martin Village	04-Jan-25



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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Signed: *Paul O'Brien*

Date: 07/01/2025

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period from 10/02/2023 to 31/12/2023

Charity name: UK-China Transparency

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Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	1.FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION, TRAINING AND RESEARCH IN THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN CHINA AND THE UK IN EDUCATION, BUSINESS AND CULTURE AND IN GOOD GOVERNANCE, ETHICS AND TRANSPARENCY IN SUCH RELATIONSHIPS; 2.THE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS (AS SET OUT IN THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND SUBSEQUENT UNITED NATIONS CONVENTIONS AND DECLARATIONS) THROUGHOUT THE WORLD BY ALL OR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING MEANS: • RESEARCH INTO HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES; • RAISING AWARENESS OF HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES; • PROMOTING PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS; • PROMOTING RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AMONG INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The charity addresses its purpose by carrying out specific research projects and disseminating appropriate publications. It also organises events both for the purpose of fundraising and to disseminate the work that it has carried out.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The Trustees pay careful attention to the Charity Commission's guidance. Before any project is undertaken it is reviewed both by the Trustees and also by appropriate members of the Advisory Board. Publications are reviewed independently by at least two of the Trustees to ensure that they fall within the charity's objects and pass the test of public benefit.

	SORP reference	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	UKCT relies on the advice of a network of academics, technical experts, and community leaders. We also have a formal Advisory Board, appointed by the Trustees. Details of the Advisory Board are given on the Charity's website. We are extremely grateful to the expert input that our Advisory Board and other advisors provide.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>As part of the Charity's setup phase, a detailed website was designed and launched and an initial advisory board was recruited.</p> <p>Research was carried out and reports published on</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Confucius Institutes in British Universities 2. The Lau China Institute at King's College London 3. Cambridge University's collaboration with the Chinese military <p>The research was based on open source material supplemented by appropriate Freedom of Information requests. Full details are published on the Charity's website.</p> <p>In addition our website Digital Library published a large amount of data on UK universities' financial ties to China and on the role of Chinese Students and Scholars Associations (CSSAs) on UK campuses. This is background data to research carried out by other charities (Civitas and the Henry Jackson Society).</p> <p>A launch event to publicise the Charity and its initial work was held at the House of Lords (kindly hosted by Lord Moore of Etchingham) in October 2023. The speakers were Chung Ching Kwong (Inter-Parliamentary Alliance on China) David Schlesinger (Former chairman, Thomson Reuters China) Howard Zhang (Former editor, BBC Chinese)</p>

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	Initial objectives were to set up the basic infrastructure (governance, advisory structure, website, etc.), and to set the direction of the charity by carrying out initial projects and beginning to populate the published library of documents. These objectives were clearly achieved.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The objective was to raise sufficient funds to cover all set-up costs, as well as the costs of work carried out during the year, leaving enough over to set the charity on a solid foundation for its subsequent work. Thanks to the generosity of individual donors this was achieved.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	At the year end the balance at the bank was just over £7000. This was easily sufficient as a starting point for 2024.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	No specific reserves are held beyond the current account balance.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	No specific reserves.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	In the start up phase the policy is to ensure that no expenditure is incurred that cannot be covered by funds already raised, and there is no specific policy for reserves. This will be reviewed by the Trustees during 2024 as the Charity's resources build up.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	None
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Because of the conservative approach taken to the charity's activities, there is no material uncertainty.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Individual donations by supporters of the charity.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Apart from the tight fiscal control used to avoid financial risk, care is taken over any risk (reputational or legal) of overstepping the Charity's research and educational objectives. In particular any publications are carefully reviewed to ensure that all statements are evidence-based, with the evidence put into the public domain where possible.

Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Para 1.25	Constitution of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation whose only voting members are its charity trustees
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Apart from the first charity trustees, every trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	UK-China Transparency
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1201902
Charity's principal address	101 Sotheby Road London N5 2UT

Names of the Charity Trustees who manage the Charity

Trustee name	Office
Martin Rowland Village	Chair
Samuel Harry Williams-Dunning	Director
Sir Bernard Walter Silverman	Treasurer

Names of Advisers

Type of adviser	Name
Advisory Board Member	Dr David Tobin
Advisory Board Member	Simon Cheng
Advisory Board Member	Chris Hughes OBE
Advisory Board Member	Howard Zhang

Financial Statement

UK-China Transparency	Accounts 2023	
	Income	Expenditure
Donations received	£ 13,051.77	
Interest	£ 8.32	
Bank charges		£ 40.00
Office expenses (including printing and IT)		£ 2,016.93
Events		£ 2,051.50
Research and translation		£ 883.70
Legal advice		£ 1,000.00
Total	£ 13,060.09	£ 5,992.13
Net surplus (at bank 31 Dec 2023)	£7,067.96	

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	MARTIN VILLAGE	BERNARD SILVERMAN
Full name(s)	Martin Rowland Village	Bernard Walter Silverman
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Treasurer
Date	10 August 2024	